HCS HB 1094 -- ELECTRONIC PAYMENT TO STATE ENTITIES

SPONSOR: McNary (Wieland)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Downsizing State Government by a vote of 10 to 1.

This substitute requires, within six months of August 28, 2012, the Commissioner of the Office of Administration to instruct all state agencies and departments to utilize a statewide commercial payments system or contract with a third party to accept and make payments by commercial payment card or, where vendors do not take commercial card payments, automated clearing house or check or other electronic methods designated by the commissioner.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on General Revenue Fund in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015. Estimated Net Income on Other State Funds of Unknown over \$100,000 in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill requires the Office of Administration to develop and implement a system to allow state agencies to accept electronic payments, which will be a more efficient and cost-effective system of processing payments, thereby downsizing our state government.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Wieland; Missouri Association of Realtors; and Steve Carrier, Easy Pay Missouri.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say that the state already has a contract in place on the provisions in the bill, and agencies currently have the authority and ability to accept electronic payment.

Testifying on the bill was Office of Administration.